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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Bank's.

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.**
PAID-UP CAPITAL\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND\$5,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. McCOWAT, Esq.,—Chairman.
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R. M. Gray, Esq.,—N. A. Sles, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong, T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WARD, Esq.,
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per Cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 1/2 PER
CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.**

Authorised Capital\$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital\$500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq.,—Chow Tung Shing, Esq.,
H. Stettin, Esq.,—Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,
Chen Kih Shan, Esq.,—

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [33]

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.**

AUTHORISED CAPITAL\$1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED\$500,000
PAID-UP\$500,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 3 per Cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On New Fixed Deposits—
For 12 Months4 per Cent.
" 6 "3 1/2 " "
" 3 "3 " "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [34]

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.**

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP\$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS\$800,000
RESERVE FUND\$250,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 3/4 per Cent. per
annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 1/2 per Cent.
" 6 " 3 1/2 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [35]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

**THE EAST POINT DAIRY FARM
COMPANY.**

TO avoid any misapprehension, I beg to
inform our CUSTOMERS and the
PUBLIC in general that our CATTLE
are entirely FREE from DISEASE. The majority
of our Cattle, of which we have over 200 head,
were specially picked out from the principal
Healthy Districts and Cattle-rearing Districts in
Australia, by the undersigned, who has been
connected with this Company and its Predecessor
since 1891, and who has spared no time or
trouble to study the Diseases of Cattle, having
twice visited Australia and India for that
purpose.

The Cattle Plague which broke out the year
before last in this Colony did not touch our
Dairy, which is situated in the Wong Nei Chong
Valley at the Eastern part of the Colony and
surrounded on all sides with fir and other trees,
and it is one of the healthiest localities in this
Colony for Cattle.

Our Product, 1500 lb. of milk daily, is
used by the Civil and Military Hospitals (not
the Officers' Mess, as was rumoured in connection
with the cases of Typhoid fever) and by the
principal institutions in the Colony for the past
few years, and is sold at our Depot—No. 12,
D'Agular Street.

A. RUMJAHN,
Managing Proprietor.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1896. [101]

**HONGKONG TIMBER
YARD, WANCHAI.**

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on Hand.

L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 28th June, 1895. [102]

Intimations.

**BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN
AGENCY, LIMITED.**

HONGKONG HOTEL—PRAYA.

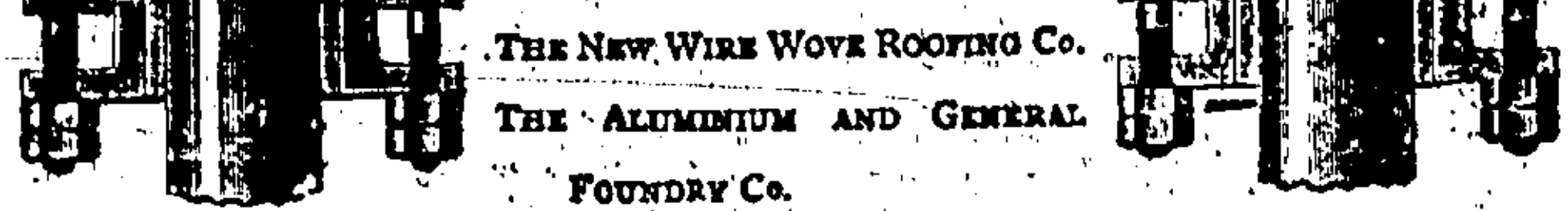
Sole Eastern Agents for

SPRINTER GRIP ARMOURD HOSE.

SNOWDON, SONS & Co. "SNOW-
DRIFT" MANUFACTURE.

THE NEW WIRE WOVEN ROOFING CO.

THE ALUMINIUM AND GENERAL
FOUNDRY CO.



BELL'S METALLIC AND ASBESTOS PACKINGS are unequalled for both Compound and
Triple Expansion Engines.

COTTON PARAGON PACKING, TUCK'S PACKING and all kinds of jointings kept in stock.

SPECIALTY MADE CLOTH FOR FILTERS. ENGINE AND CYLINDER OILS.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1896. [30]

SHERRIES.

	PER DOZEN.
OLOROSO, red seal (fine nutty golden).....	\$18.00
AMONTILLADO, white seal (choicest dry).....	\$20.00
SOLERA, yellow seal (fruity golden).....	\$20.00
SOLERA, black seal (a very dark fruity wine, vin. 1890).....	\$25.00
AMOROSO, green seal (rich golden).....	\$30.00

The above stand in the first rank of after dinner SHERRIES and have
been specially selected by our London house at very low prices for wines
of such quality.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE and SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [39]



HIRANO WATER.

PER CASE OF 48 BOTTLES.....\$7.50

" 48 "\$5.50

TRADE MARK. 源和 A SPARKLING ALKALINE WATER WHICH MIXES
YUEN WO. PERFECTLY WITH WINES AND SPIRITS.

SOLE AGENTS—
GANDE PRICE & CO.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
23, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1896. [420]

EX S.S. "CADIZ."

(DIRECT IMPORTATION FROM JEREZ.)

DRY SHERRY in cases of 12 Bottles.....at \$8.00 per Case.

And a small lot of choice Wines.

GRANT JEREZ, N.P.O.

CORONA VIEJO OLOROSO.

FAMOSO MOSCATEL EXTRA.

NECTAR.

SHEWAN & Co. [33]

Hongkong, 21st March, 1896.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

SHIPCHANDLERY DEPARTMENT.

SIR CHAS. PRICE & Co.'s ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

ENGLEBERT'S CYLINDER OIL.

CRANE'S CYLINDER OIL.

VALVOLINE, CASTOR OIL, &c., &c.

TUCK'S GENUINE PATENT PACKING.

ASBESTOS PACKINGS of all kinds.

PARAGON PATENT PACKING.

ROPE, CANVAS, &c.

HUBBUCK'S PAINTS and VARNISHES.

HOLZAPFEL'S PATENT COMPOSITION, ANTI-CORROSION and ANTI-FOULING, for
STEEL VESSELS.

SOAPSTONE ENAMEL COMPOSITIONS for HOLDS, BUNKERS and TOP-SIDES.

FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [473]

JASTRAM'S PATENT

GOLDEN MEDAL

PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.

FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.

Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.

A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.

Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.

SCHIELE & CO., HONGKONG,

SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.

NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

HAVE YOU TRIED

BRAUN'S "EXPORT" BEER

IS A QUESTION EVERYONE IS ASKING EVERYONE ELSE.

IF NOT, TRY IT AND YOU WILL PRONOUNCE IT A FIRST CLASS LAGER BEER,
A MARVEL OF CHEAPNESS AND A DELIGHT TO THE EPICURE.

PRICE—
\$10.50 per Case of 6 dozen. Min. \$12.50 per Case of 4 dozen. Quarts.

Cash on Delivery.

THE SEATTLE BREWING & MALTING CO., CHINA-JAPAN AGENCY.

Head Office—9, D'Agular Street, Hongkong.

For prices and terms, apply to

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [1010]

Intimations.

**PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

FOR	STREAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
STRAITS AND BOMBAY.....	Roatta	S. Barcham	About 4th April.....	Freightor Passage. (Calling at Colombo if sufficient inducement offers).
SHANGHAI.....	Pekin	J. F. Jephass	About 5th April.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON.....	Formosa	E. P. Bishop	About 6th April.....	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.....	Kassar-Hind.	C. L. Daniel	Noon, 9th April.....	See Special Advertisement.
JAPAN, &c.....	Anzono	W. D. Madie	Noon, 10th April.....	Freightor Passage. (Passing through the Island Sea.)
LONDON.....	Shanghai	J. Cowie, R.N.R.	About 18th April.....	Freight or Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to
HONGKONG, 28th March, 1896. ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent. [431]

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

CIGARETTES.

SWEET CAPORAL.

BIRD'S EYE.

THREE CASTLES.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [16]

TOBACCOS.

WILLIS BRISTOL BIRD'S EYE.

THREE CASTLES.

PIONEER BRAND.

CAPISTAN NAVY CUT.

OUR MUTUAL FRIEND.

COPE'S BIRD'S EYE.

MEALS

BREAKFAST	12.00
TIFFIN	15.00
DINNER	20.00
ALL 3 MEALS	45.00

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,

Nos. 11, 12 and 13 Central Market.

TRFOUR.

VEAL SAUSAGES 25 Cents per lb.

BOLOGNA SAUSAGES 50 Cents per lb.

SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

HONGKONG, 11th February, 1895. J. TATAM, Proprietor. [49]

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG, A. B. C. Code. No. 35.

THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN
QUEEN'S ROAD.

TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in
PRIVATE DINING-ROOM.

For further Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL. [23]

Hongkong, 27th July, 1895.

THE CLUB HOTEL

5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

HOTEL METROPOLE,

1, TSUKUJI, TOKYO.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervi-
sion of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.

Experienced English matrons in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every
assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the
Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of moving either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra
charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER
on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager,
YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager,
TOKYO. [160]

TO SHIPMASTERS.

ENQUIRE where your FRESH WATER is

obtained by the Water Boats; as FOUL

WATER is the cause of much sickness on
board Ship.

We are the only Water-Boat Company in
Hongkong exclusively supplying FILTRATED
WATER.

Call Flag "W."

J. W. KEW & Co.,
SEAM WATER-BOAT CO.,
15, PRINCE STREET.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1895. [10]

MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
ICE-HOUSE ROAD.

Is now in a position, in his New and Com-
modious Premises, to receive, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED
in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS
a specialty.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1895. [45]

Insurances.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1884.

CAPITAL\$2,000,000

TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY.....\$2,450,000

NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIUM.....\$757,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the
above Company we are prepared to
accept EUROPEAN AND CHINESE RISKS
at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1896. [50]

**NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.**

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN AND CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [247]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33

EQUAL TO\$833,333.33

RESERVE FUND\$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq.,—Lo YUEK MOON, Esq.,
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.,

MANAGER—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1895. [43]

Intimations.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the
Military Authorities that ARTILLERY
PRACTICE will take place from the 1st to 30th
April, 1896, (Sundays excepted), between
the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. daily, as
follows:—

From Stone Cutty's Island in Westerly and
South-Westerly directions.

From Belcher's, Upper and Lower, in
Northerly and North-Westerly direc-
tions.

From Kowloon Dock and East in Easterly
and South-Easterly directions.

From Lyman in North-Westerly, North-
Easterly and South-Easterly directions.

From North Point in Northerly and North-
Easterly directions.

All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are cau-
tioned to keep clear of the ranges.

To-day's
Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
WILLARD OPERA COMPANY
AND
MR. JOHN F. SHERIDAN.
TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY) AND MONDAY,
28th and 29th March.
The Great Gaiety Sensation,
"THE SHOP GIRL."
TUESDAY, 31st March.
"DANDY DICK WHITTINGTON."
WEDNESDAY, 1st April.
"THE ARTIST'S MODEL."
THURSDAY, 2nd April.
"THE NEW BARMAID."
FRIDAY, 3rd April.
GOOD FRIDAY.
No Performance.
SATURDAY, 4th April.
"IN TOWN."
Prices:—\$3, \$2 & \$1.
BOX PLAN at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Ltd.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [548]

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.
CORPS ORDERS FOR WEEK ENDING
28th APRIL, 1896.

GENERAL.
No. 175—DRILL. Both Units will parade at Headquarters on WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, at 4.45 P.M., for Commandant's Parade.
Kowloon Detachment and Signallers to attend.
Uniform—Khaki drill, caps, breeches and side arms.
No. 176—ANNUAL REVOLVER PRACTICE—On WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, at 4 P.M., on Range back of Racket Court, for Officers and Staff Sergeants of Corps.
Uniform—Khaki drill, helmets and side arms.
No. 177—FIELD BATTERY.
No. 178—GUN LAYERS' COMPETITION.
The following is the result of the Gun Layers' Competition at Headquarters, and the under-mentioned N.C. Officers and Men are awarded badges:—
1—Gunner R. V. RUTTER } Tie.
2—Gunner J. A. INGLIS }
3—Corporal H. W. ARMSTRONG }
4—Gunner W. STEWART }
5—Gunner E. SHARP }
6—Corporal H. McPHAIL } Tie.
7—Gunner J. GLENNIST }
8—Gunner G. WHITE }
No. 179—SIGNALLING—At Headquarters, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 6.30 P.M., Plain Clothes.
No. 379—DRILL—TUESDAY, Headquarters, at 5.30 P.M., Company, Plain Clothes. THURSDAY, Headquarters, at 5.30 P.M., Company, Plain Clothes.
No. 380—JOINED—Gunner C. A. D. MELLORNE, 26.3.96, and assigned Corps No. 160, and posted to No. 3 Detachment.
No. 381—A MACHINE GUN CO.
No. 382—DRILL—MONDAY, Gun, at 5.30 P.M., Plain Clothes. THURSDAY, Company, at 5.30 P.M., Plain Clothes.
NOTICE.
Applications from Gentlemen desirous of joining the Corps should be sent to VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS, when a copy of the Regulations, &c., will be sent, and any information afforded.
By Order,
L. A. C. GORDON,
Adjutant, H.K.V.C.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [571]

THE RUBY AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
A DIVIDEND OF SIX PENCE per Share has been Declared, PAYABLE on the 18th May, 1896, in BRISBANE, in respect of Shares on the Brisbane Register, and in Singapore in respect of Shares on the Singapore Register.
Notice is hereby given that the Singapore Branch Register will be CLOSED from 8th to 18th May, 1896, inclusive.
By Order of the Directors,
G. A. DERRICK,
Local Secretary.
Singapore, 21st March, 1896. [572]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"CATHERINE APCAR"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 31st instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.
Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [573]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (FLORENCE & ROME) LIMITED COMPANY.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY.
Having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.
VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALTAO.
Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD.
ALSO
BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.
THE Steamship
"BISAGNO,"
Captain Dodds, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 3rd April, at Noon.
At BOMBAY the Steamers are discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.
For Further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [577]

To-day's
Advertisements.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to COPENHAGEN, STOCKHOLM, NORRKÖPING, GÖTFLE, DANTZIC and KÖNIGSBERG, with transshipment in HAMBURG.)
THE Company's Steamship
"TELENA,"
Captain T. G. Scott, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M., instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [471]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTZE.)
THE Company's Steamship
"PALAMED,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 30th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [558]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.
THE Company's Steamship
"THALES,"
Captain H. Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [576]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"TIENTSIN,"
Captain Cunningham, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [574]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship
"ZAFIRO,"
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHKWAN & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1896. [578]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR KOBE.
THE Steamship
"CHANGSHA,"
Captain Williams, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 31st instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [551]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
FOR SHANGHAI, NINGPO AND NAGASAKI.
THE Company's Steamship
"SATSUMA MARU,"
Captain F. L. Sommer, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [579]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
THE Steamship
"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain J. G. Olliff, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [580]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.
THE Steamship
"SUNGKIANG,"
Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [575]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TARTANIA, &c.)
THE Chartered Steamship
"OCAMPO,"
Captain Hawkins, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 28th April.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1896. [581]

To-day's
Advertisements.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
S.S. "CITY OF PERING,"
(With Cargo ex "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" on board),
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, YOKOHAMA AND NAGASAKI.
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DEATH.

On the 6th inst., at his home in England, WILLIAM HOPE SUTHERLAND, M.B., Medical Officer of Health, Rangoon.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1896.
ALAS! ALAS!

Could there be a more perfect illustration of the weakness of the Sanitary Board, as at present constituted, and of the entire absence of responsibility in the Government, the Board, and the individual heads of departments, than that afforded by one of the two sets of papers laid on the Board table at the meeting held on Thursday last? The Board, after having had a report on the subject from the Medical Officer of Health, and after having fully considered the matter at a regular meeting, made an order that the verandahs of the Tung Wah Hospital were not to be used as living rooms or sleeping rooms for coolies, to the injury of the health of the patients in the wards. The Board found as a fact that it was a nuisance injurious to health to allow the verandahs to be so occupied. The Tung Wah Committee were willing to obey the order. They did apply to the Board, as they were entitled by law to do, to review the order. They wrote to the Registrar General's Department, to request that no more destitute coolies should be sent to them from the Po Leung Kuk. Mr. BAZWIN did not give that order, as he ought to have done, but sent the application to the Registrar-General (Mr. LOCKHART) with a suggestion that he had better see the Board's order before acting. A copy of the order is sent to him on request, and then the Colonial Secretary wants to know what kind of a nuisance was created by the coolies sleeping in the verandahs. He wanted to judge for himself whether the order made by the Sanitary Board was justified by the facts or not. In other words he was entertaining an appeal from the Board's order without having any jurisdiction or power to do so, and he sent them down a "suggestion" that the *status quo ante* should be preserved, or, to put it another way, that the nuisance should be allowed to continue for a time! If the Board had acted on that suggestion and any evil effects followed on whom would the responsibility rest—the Government or the Board? With four servants of the Government as members it is almost a wonder that the order was not cancelled or suspended at Thursday's meeting. As it was, the papers had all again to be circulated, and half an hour's time had to be given to the reconsideration of a question settled, and well settled, at a previous meeting, and which was not appealed against by the Tung Wah Committee, the only persons affected by it. The Board have full power and authority vested in them by Ordinance to deal with all insanitary nuisances, and the Government has no right to interfere with their exercise of it, or even to ask for a reconsideration or review of any order properly made; the person against whom it is made and on whom it is served being the only proper appellant. One of the greatest difficulties in the way of the old Sanitary Board was this constant interference by the Colonial Secretary, or by some head of department, with the Board's orders, and the readiness of the official members or some of them to look upon every such interference as in the nature of an order.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We intend in the interests of our readers, and that they may not be tempted to peruse any other local paper than our own, to give a brief summary, daily, of the leading articles in both of our contemporaries and references to any correspondence of interest that may appear in them. It is as much "news" to give the prevailing opinions on current events as to record the events themselves, and, as the *Daily Press* may be supposed to reproduce and reflect the opinions of its readers and of its section of the public, so the *China Mail* may be believed to give expression to views in accordance with the proclivities and wishes of its friends and supporters. When both agree on any point and the *Telegraph* is able to chime in harmoniously it may well be believed that the community as a whole is in accord, and the local papers fairly express the general public opinion. When the three journals differ among themselves it is just as well that each should record for the information of its readers what the other journals have to say and their reasons in support.

The last issue of the *China Mail* has a letter from a correspondent signing himself "Erin" complaining of some "mighty Jehu" who nearly drove over and maimed a lot of people and a dog when leaving the race-course enclosure after the Sports last Saturday, and contrasts the absence or inactivity of the Police on the occasion with the energy shown in "running in" Mr. Huxford's the other day for a technical offence that endangered no one. It has, further, a very interesting extract from the Singapore *Free Press* advocating strongly the necessity for some provision here and in Singapore for local naval defence, in the shape of torpedo-boats and torpedo-destroyers attached to the port and not liable to be called away to co-operate with the fleet in distant naval operations.

The *Daily Press* of this morning has two leaders, one suggesting that the Chamber of Commerce or the China Association or both should prepare for transmission to Lord Salisbury a clear and carefully studied exposition of the position of affairs in China politically and commercially, and

should take advantage of the passage through Hongkong of H.E. Li Hwuchang to press their opinions on him and explain their requirements in anticipation of his meeting the British Premier and having to discuss with him the same question. The *Daily Press* insists as a condition *sine qua non* of any improvement, the sweeping away of all Lekin duties and Lekin stations, and proposes that higher import and export duties should be levied in lieu thereof. It thinks that the Chinese Government itself is conscious of the impediments to trade growing out of the Lekin exactions and that it is ready to make a move towards their abolition. It recognizes the difficulty of granting enhanced duties on exports and imports while the Government of China is too weak to control its officials and prevent squeezing, but points to the success of a similar experiment in the case of the Opium Convention. Our contemporary urges, as another useful measure, freedom of residence for foreigners throughout the Empire and large additions to the number of Consular stations on the coast and in the interior. It quotes in support of its views from the papers published by the Shanghai Branch of the China Association.

In a second article the *Daily Press* refers to the correspondence laid before the Sanitary Board on Thursday anent the exodus of Chinese from the Colony in connection with the plague and the measures taken to stamp it out. It approves of the Sanitary Board and its officers, thinks there is no foundation for the complaints made against them, and calls attention to Mr. Eor's remarks on the necessity, and the immediate necessity, of making some provision for the extension of the city and for the erection by the Government, or under its auspices, of cheap and healthy dwellings for the poorer classes of Chinese.

There is, further, in our morning contemporary, an absurd letter on the subject of the defence of the Colony from some one signing himself "Observer," but who must either be wholly unobservant or unable to reason from what he sees.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.
SERIOUS OUTBREAK IN AFRICA.
LONDON, March 26th.
A revolt has occurred in Malabailand, and a number of whites have been massacred.

THE NILE EXPEDITION.
Russia and France have finally declined to assent to the employment of the Egyptian Reserve for the Nile Expedition.
(Special to *Stam Observer*.)

WILL IMPERIL THE PEACE OF EUROPE.
LONDON, March 15th.
Sir William Harcourt having asked a question as to the movements of troops in Egypt, the Hon. N.G. Curzon, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that, owing to the threatening attitude of the Derwishes, it had been decided to advance to Akabab, but it might ultimately become necessary to go on to Dongola. It was, however, inexpedient to further discuss their plans at the present juncture. Sir William Harcourt then warned the Government that any British occupation of the Sudan would be fatal to the peace of Europe.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.
FIVE CASES OF PLAGUE TO-DAY.
H.M.S. *Flynn* left for Canton this afternoon.
Mr. J. G. Scott is due at Rangoon, from London, early next month.

It is reported that work on the Tientsin-Peking Railway was commenced on the 15th inst.

REAR-ADMIRAL MAKAROFF, who lectured here recently on the use of buffers for warships to lessen the effects of collisions, was in San Francisco on February 19th.

A LONDON "who" of 24th ultimo to the *Free Press* states that Slavia has an offer in the *Sporting Life* to meet Fitzsimmons for \$5000 a side in England, or he will bet \$5000 he can stop Corbett in six rounds.

We are informed by the Agent that the departure of the *City of Peking* for San Francisco via Nagasaki, Kobe, Island Sea and Yokohama, has been postponed to Wednesday the 1st proximo, at 4 p.m.

"THE Bismarck of China," and sulis, left Shanghai bound for Hongkong about 11 o'clock this morning. His Excellency is a passenger by the "cluck" French liner *Ernest Steiner*, which, having done for en voyage, will arrive here about 6 p.m. on Monday, the 30th inst.

ANDREW Carnegie, the Pittsburgh millionaire, was refused honorary membership in the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce on February 18th. "Mr. Carnegie" has long been an active correspondent of the Chamber and has spoken before it on two occasions. This "turndown" has created a sensation in Cleveland.

The Directors of the Rand Australian Gold Mining Company, Ltd., have, according to an advertisement appearing in another part of this issue, declared a dividend of sixpence per share, payable on the 15th May. It is stated, too, that in respect of shares on the Brisbane Register the dividend will be paid in Brisbane, while as regards shares on the Singapore Register the "divi" will be issued on the date named in the notice.

MEMORANDA.
To-day, 28th March.
Enlist for the Tennis Tournament close.
Li Hwung-chang left Shanghai at 11 a.m. on his return to Kanton, by the French Mail *Baron*, due here about 6 p.m. on the 30th instant.
9.10 p.m.—Willard Opera Co.'s performance at the City Hall.

The *Daily Press* says it is reported at Canton that Wachow is to be opened as a treaty port at the end of April; "but," says our contemporary, "we are not in a position to say whether the report is well founded or not."

The U.S. double-turret monitor *Monadnock* was commissioned at Vallejo, California, on February 20th, by Captain G. W. Sumner. This vessel is claimed by the American papers to be the most formidable fighting ship afloat.

The programme of the Hongkong Rifle Association's Easter Meeting will be published at a comparatively early date. "Sabs" of lancing competitors should be sent in to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. Chapman, as soon as possible.

A CASE of bitter being bitten occurred in the Police Court this morning. An Arab charged a Chinese shop-keeper with stealing \$35 from him by tickery, but his story was so evidently untrue, and the defendant's tale so clear that the complainant was fined \$5 for giving false testimony and the defendant discharged.

The watch snatched from the lady on Bonham Road on Thursday was presented at a pawnshop in Chinese Sam-shui-poo yesterday, but as the keeper would not give enough for it, it was taken away again. Two men were yesterday arrested on suspicion, but, as they proved conclusively that they were at work at the time of the robbery they were released last night.

It is stated in a Japanese paper that the Nippon Yusen Kabsa are to receive from the Japanese Government a subsidy amounting to \$50,000 per voyage on every trip the Co.'s steamer *Tosa Maru* completes on the Japan-European line. It is added that \$50,000 will probably cover the cost of the coal consumed on the first voyage. The *Tosa Maru* is due here on Monday.

BALLINGTON BOOTH, the commander of the Salvation Army in America, and his wife have retired owing to a dispute with the General Staff, and Commandant Eva Booth is now in command. Papers received to-day report that there is a strong feeling in the Army in favour of cutting adrift from the English section and organising a new Army with the deposed leader as Commander-in-Chief.

It is reported in shipping circles that Mr. E. H. Lawrence, the galleon chief officer of Messrs. Martz & Co's Tonkin liner *Hawit*, is to take over the command of the same Company's speedy coaster *Hongkong* in a few days. Mr. Lawrence is a good all-round "sailor-man," probably as smart a navigator as ever "paced the bridge" and with a good knowledge of French added to his other accomplishments should be able to give his employers thorough satisfaction.

PROGRESS on the Siberian Railway, made during 1895, is reported as follows by United States Consul-General Karel of St. Petersburg:—In the year 918 miles were constructed, making a total of 1649 miles now completed, or over one-third of the entire line. There is now a direct railway route connecting St. Petersburg with the Yonenski, a distance of 3036 miles. Mr. Karel says that there is to be a railway ferry across the 20 miles of Lake Balkal, and that efforts are being made to avoid the northern Vladivostok route by extending the line across Chinese Manchuria. If political events do not interfere, this southern line would be shorter, less expensive in construction, pass through a dense population, and lead to a harbour always unobstructed by ice.

The Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders gave a dance in the City Hall last night. About 300 guests were present. Every arrangement had been made for the comfort of the guest, two electric fans assisting to keep the room cool. The Committee deserve every praise for the perfection of their arrangements, which tended to make this dance so highly enjoyable.

Dancing was commenced sharp at 9 o'clock and kept up continuously until after 1 a.m. to excellent music furnished by the Band of the Hongkong Regiment. The verandahs were cool and were much availed of, while supper was served in St. Andrew's Hall, where also less and "cups" were much on evidence. For those who preferred a rubber at whilst a room on the verandah was fitted up with card tables and light refreshments. This "hop" was very enjoyable, a complete success, and a great credit to all who were responsible for the arrangements generally.

The *Singapore Free Press* of 18th contains the full text of the Russo-Chinese Secret Treaty as published originally in the *North China Daily News* and subsequently in the *Hongkong Telegraph*. Our shrewd and outspoken Straits contemporary comments on the compact as follows:—
"China has absolutely no choice in the matter, but to accept whatever terms are offered to her in her relationship with Russia that power chose in the circumstances to impose. These are set forth to-day—and we repeat that it does not matter two straws whether their authenticity be denied or not—are precisely the terms that any Russian statesman would impose, and if he did not impose them, or others of practically similar import, he would be acting in a direction that would be quite exceptional in the history of Russian diplomacy."
The next step, and specifically mentioned but omitted in that section of the document alluding to Russia's protection of China, is that Japan, as a still possible enemy of China, shall be taken in hand by Russia, and be broken at a convenient time. That time becomes more imminent every month as Russia's military and naval forces in the Far East are levelled up to Japan's. Every eastward-bound Russian Volunteer fleet steamer takes part, this place troops equal to a Singapore garrison, and many such troops are to be made this year. It is impossible to see how much in that "if"—to Russia to engage Japan and defeat that power, there ensues the dangerous position that Japan, on compulsion, may have to enter a partnership with Russia and China, of which Russia will exercise the naval and military direction. We had originally pointed out that a peace partnership of Britain, China and Japan, with the object of preserving the *status quo*, was a desirable thing. Russia have been allowed to turn out that another partnership is more probable—Japan is left in her approaching fate. It may be left to those who are qualified to think it out in its various bearings to consider what would be the course of history were Russia to compel Japan as well as China to her will; and whether such a combination would be one that would make us pause throughout the East.

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